

STATEMENT

S. No.	Name of State/ Union Territories	Percentage of electors provided with Identity Cards till June 1996
States		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	35.67
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	60.11
3.	Assam	Nil
4.	Bihar	14.63
5.	Goa	60.28
6.	Gujarat	69.50
7.	Haryana	81.50
8.	Himachal Pradesh	59.98
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	Scheme not yet Introduced
10.	Karnataka	54.41
11.	Kerala	Work not yet Started
12.	Madhya Pradesh	35.61
13.	Maharashtra	77.44
14.	Manipur	74.14
15.	Meghalaya	74.26
16.	Mizoram	Work not yet Started
17.	Nagaland	Nil
18.	Orissa	64.89
19.	Punjab	67.43
20.	Rajasthan	63.31
21.	Sikkim	71.59
22.	Tamil Nadu	Nil
23.	Tripura	26.06
24.	Uttar Pradesh	32.04
25.	West Bengal	64.21
Union Territories		
26.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	80.97
27.	Chandigarh	65.30
28.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	32.29
29.	Daman and Diu	58.50
30.	National Capital Territory of Delhi	62.54
31.	Lakshadweep	82.85
32.	Pondicherry	85.48

Export of Agricultural Items

4275. SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the possibilities of exporting agricultural products from Uttar Pradesh and also their sales in the international market have been ascertained;

(b) the details of the other States in which such possibilities have been ascertained during the last three years and the achievements made so far in this regard, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to explore such possibilities for the remaining States;

(d) if so the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH) : (a) No specific study for determining possibilities of export of agricultural products from Uttar Pradesh and their sales in the international market has been conducted so far. However, some of the agricultural products identified for exports from Uttar Pradesh are rice, mangoes, litchies, spices and fresh vegetables.

(b) No study for ascertaining the possibilities of exports of agricultural products from other States have been undertaken during the last three years.

(c) to (e). Yes, Sir. Government of Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh have sought financial assistance from Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) for conducting surveys to ascertain export potential of agricultural products. A proposal to conduct a survey of export of agricultural products from the North Eastern Region is under consideration of APEDA.

[English]

Infrastructure Development Finance Company

4276. SHRI SANAT MEHTA :

DR. C. SILVERA :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the steps taken so far to establish an Infrastructure Development Finance Company as announced during presentation of Budget 1996-97;

(b) the details of the composition of such Finance Company;

(c) the details of guidelines laid down for investment by this Finance Company;

(d) whether the Government propose to merge the State owned Power Finance Corporations with the above Finance Company;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the objective likely to be achieved therefrom?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (c). As a follow up of the Budget announcement for 1996-97, a Working Group under the Chairmanship of the then Secretary (Banking) was constituted by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to work out the modalities for setting up of the Infrastructure Development Finance Company (IDFC). Further